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I.C.P.O. Bulletin (November 01 - 09, 2007)
Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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01/11/2007: In the evenings of November 1st, 2nd and 3rd Fabio, IZ1EGT/F5VKV and Simone, IZ0BTV will be active from Monaco 3A on the low bands (40/80/160) using a 40 metre long wire antenna in SSB and digital modes (PSK/RTTY). The location should be one of the higher positions available in Monaco. Call signs will be 3A/F5VKV and 3A/IZ0BTV. QSL via home calls. [F5NQL]

01/11/2007: Anderson/PY2TNT and Alex/PY2WAS will be active November 1-4th as 8R1PY from Georgetown, Guyana. They plan to operate around the clock on 2, 10, 12, 15, 17, 20, 30, 40, 60 and 80 metre SSB and CW. QSL via PY4KL, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

01/11/2007: Bill, NM7H (aka G0MKT and YI9WF) will be back in Qatar from around November 1, 2007 and January 5, 2008. He will be active again as A7/G0MKT, and will operate primarily CW with some PSK and some SSB on 40-10 metres. If 6m opens up and he is available, he will give that a try too. QSL via NM7H, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

01/11/2007: Alain, ON6MG is currently QRV until November 4th as F/ON6MG from the Department Vosges/88, Province of Lorraine, at an altitude of 900m asl. Look for him on HF 80-10m CW/SSB using 100w and dipole antenna and on 2m CW/SSB with 100w and 9 element yagi. QSL via home call. [UBA HF News]

01/11/2007: Mick, G3LIK reports he will be active as GB4RN from November 1-21st, which will include the RNARS CW Activity Contest (November 17-18th) Rules at: www.rnars.org.uk/RNARS_Contest_2007.htm [425 DX News]

01/11/2007: Ulli, DL2AH will be active from Norfolk Island (OC-005) using the call sign VK9ANH between November 1-15th. He will use a FT897 with loop antennas for 40-10m, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home call. [RSGB IOTA]

01/11/2007: Wim, ON6NP will be QRV November 1-20th from Cambodia using the call XU7ACJ. He is running SSB and digimodes with an FT897 and AT897 with G5RV antenna. QSL via home call. [UBA HF News]

01/11/2007: A team of 8 Greek ham radio operators all members of the National Amateur Radio Society (Radio Amateur Association of Greece - R.A.A.G.) are going to activate the Syrian island of Arwad [aka Rouad] (AS-186) and Jazirat Arwad lighthouse (ARLHS SYR-003, WW Loc. KM74WU) between November 1-12th. The island will be activated for the first time in the IOTA program with the call sign YK9SV. The team so far consists of: Manos/SV1IW, Cliff/SV1JG, Spiros/SV1RC, George/SV1RP, George/SV1QN, Aris/SV1ACK, John/SV1GYG and Spiros/SV8CS. Special emphasis will be given on the low bands and modes of SSB, CW, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via SV1JG. 6 metre activity is expected if propagation permits. Further information can be found at: www.raag.org/arwad/

[F5NQL]

02/11/2007: Willy/ON5AX and his XYL Magda/ON3AX are travelling the South Pacific between October 17th and December 14th. They will be QRV using CW/SSB/PSK on 40m/30m/20m and they also intend to participate in the CQWW SSB Contest while staying on American Samoa. This is their schedule: November 2-14th as A35AX from Tonga (OC-049); November 16th to December 14th as ZL/ON5AX from New Zealand. QSL all calls via ON5AX. [DXNL]

03/11/2007: Jacky, F5OGC/p will be QRV November 3rd from the Castle of Mondragon (DFCF 72-061), located on the commune of La Bosse, Department Sarthe/72, Province of Pays-de-Loire. The activity will be started on 80m and possibly completed on 40m. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Radioamateur.org]

03/11/2007: Look for Freddy, F8CKS/p to be QRV November 3rd from the Castle Betou ou Betouy (DFCF 24-092), located in the commune of St. Cyprien (DDCF 24-32), Department Dordogne/24, Province of Aquitaine. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [F8CKS]

03/11/2007: Roger/G3SXW and Nigel/G3TXF will be doing one of their weekenders this coming weekend (November 3-4th) from Spitsbergen Island (JW, EU-026, WLOTA LH-0125). Look for them on whatever bands are open, "most likely 40m and 30m" according to Roger. He adds, "There is no sunrise this time of year, only twilight for several hours." QSL to the respective home call or LoTW. [K1XN & The GOLIST]

03/11/2007: WLD Waasland (section UBA), WLD activity weekend (November 3-4th) for WLD Award. Look for activity from the following Belgian Castles and Mills, starting November 3rd at 0800 UTC: Ch?teau Sombeke (BCA OV-027 - New One!) by Bill/ON5JE and Luk/ON4BB; Ch?teau Lippens (BCA OV-026), Moerbeke-Waas, by by Eddy, ON6HE; the Mill Heirbrugmolen (WIM 9046) by Francois/ON4AUB and Leon/ON4DAP; and the Mill Grote Napoleon (WIM 9009) by Eddy/ON5JK, and Guido/ON6RL and Stany/ON6TC. Main activity will be on 40m and 80m. QSL via home calls. [ON4AUB]

03/11/2007: Klaus, DK9LO will be QRV November 3-16th as OZ/DK9LO from Vendsyssel-Thy / Nordjylland (EU-171, NJ-001 for the Danish Islands Award). Look for activity around the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL via home call, direct, bureau or e-QSL. [RSGB IOTA]

04/11/2007: Jean-Fran?ois, F8BMN will be QRV November 4th as F8BMN/p from two French Castle references. He plans to activate the Castle d'Arenberg (DFCF 59-112) and the Castle Mabille (DFCF 59-115), located in Department Nord/59, Province of Nord Pas de Calais. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [F8BMN]

04/11/2007: Operators Harald/DL5HAQ, Manfred/DK6HA and Siegfried/DL3HBZ plan to be QRV November 4-17th from the island of Dominica (NA-101), using the call sign J75/DK0RZ. Look for activity on all bands and modes. QSL via DK0RZ (QRZ.com). [RSGB IOTA]

04/11/2007: Operators Ronald/PA3EWP, Flo/F5CWU and Tom/GM4FDM are planning a DXpedition to Brunei between November 4-18th. The team is staying at the residence of V85SS in Bandar Seri Begawan. Call signs are: V8FWP [PA3EWP] (QSL via PA7FM), V8FWU [F5CWU] (QSL via F5CWU) and V8FDM [GM4FDM] (QSL via GM4FDM). Activity will be on all bands from

160-10 metres, conditions permitting. Modes of operations will be on CW, SSB and RTTY. Special attention will be given to the lower bands (160-30m). Also, special attention will be given to Western Europe and the USA. They plan to use at least one beam antenna along with verticals and dipoles. All operators have plenty of experience during DXpedition operation. Further information can be found on their web site at: www.v8.pa7fm.nl/ . On-line logs will be uploaded if the local Internet access allows this during the operation, otherwise they will be available after the expedition. [OPDX]

05/11/2007: JA6QIN/6 will be active from four different islands in the Goto Island Group (AS-040), JA6 Nagasaki prefecture, November 5-7th. Plans are to activate Arifuku Island (JIIA AS-040-003), Wakamatsu Island (JIIA AS-040-059), Zuga Island (JIIA AS-040-064) and Nakadori Island (JIIA AS-040-034). Look for activity on the usual island and IOTA frequencies on the HF bands. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [JI6KVR]

05/11/2007: Look for Yoshiaki, JA1OCZ to be QRV November 7-12th as 9M4DXX from Penang, S.T of Malaysia, South East Asia. He has already obtained the license, and plans to operate on 80-10 metre CW, SSB, and FM. He also plans an entry in the JIDX Contest, all bands. QSL via home call, direct (Yoshiaki Kobayashi, Ohta-ku, Tokyo, 143-0025, Japan) or by the bureau. [NG3K]

06/11/2007: The Hungarian Travelling Amateur Radio Team will go to Liechtenstein again from November 6-14th. HB0/HA0HW Laci, HB0/HA4DX Tomi and HB0/HA4XG Geza will operate from Masescha (JN47SD, 1350 m ASL), on HF CW, SSB, maybe some digital modes + 2 m on tropo and MS. The main focus will be on 160m and 80m with separeted Inverted-L antennas and amplifiers. On the other bands they will use DunaX Gps. QSL via HA bureau ok, or direct via the operator's QRZ.COM address. [HA0HW]

07/11/2007: Slavo, SP2JMB will be QRV as EA8/SP2JMB from the Canary Islands (AF-004), November 7-12th. Activity will be on 80-10m using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

08/11/2007: Ronnie, SM7DKF will be active from Mauritius Island (AF-049) as 3B8/SM7DKF between November 8-24th. This will be a holiday style operation, with activity on the usual IOTA frequencies mostly SSB and perhaps also digital modes. QSL direct to home call, with SASE (see QRZ.com). Further info at: www.sm7dkf.se/index-info.htm [RSGB IOTA]

08/11/2007: Andy/DL5CW and Marina/DM5YL will be active from the island of Anguilla (NA-022), November 8-26th, CQWW DX CW Contest included. Probably their callsigns will be VP2EDL and VP2EDM, and they plan to operate mostly CW (Andy) and RTTY/PSK31 (Marina) on the HF bands. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

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LOOKING AHEAD

12/11/2007: George/K5KG (E51MMM) and Ron/KK9K (E51NNN) will be active November 12th through December 1st from the island of Rarotonga (OC-013), South Cook Islands. They plan to concentrate heavily on 160/80m. All QSL requests should go to K5KG. [K1XN & The GOLIST]

12/11/2007: Look for Pekka, OH2YY to be QRV from Reunion Island (AF-016, DIFO FR-001, WLOTA LH-1812) as FR/OH2YY, November 12-15th. Activity will be on 40-10m SSB, using 100w with vertical and dipole antennas. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

15/11/2007: A Dxpedition to Socorro Island (NA-030, WLOTA LH-2941, WW Loc. DK48MS), Revillagigedo (XF4) by the Federacion Mexicana de Radio Experimentadores, A.C. will take place between November 15th and December 17th, using the call sign 6E4LM. This expedition is to celebrate the 75th anniversary of FMRE. Team members include Carlos/XE1YK, Manuel/XE1VVD, Eduardo/XE2YW and Daniel/XE3RBA. They will be QRV 160-10m plus 50 MHz-144 MHz-430 MHz and Satellite activity using SSB, CW, and digital modes. The operators will focus on 160m and 6m, where they feel XF4 is most needed. QSL direct to XE2K (Jose Hector Garcia M., P. O. Box 73, El Centro, CA., 92244-0073, USA). Logs will be uploaded to LoTW after all direct QSLs have been sent. Further information can be found at: www.6e4lm.xedx.org/ [FMRE]

16/11/2007: Pekka, OH2YY to be QRV from Mauritius Island (AF-049) as 3B8/OH2YY, November 16-22nd. Look for him on be on 40-10m SSB, using 100w with vertical and dipole antennas. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [NG3K]

17/11/2007: Jim, K7WA (FISTS member #13341) will be operating from VP5JM's "Hamlet" on Providenciales (Provo) Island, Caicos Islands (NA-002) between November 17th and November 30th. The primary purpose for the trip is the CQ WW DX Contest (November 24-25th) where we will be active as VP5W. Before and after the contest our group will be active as VP5/ home call. Jim will be active on the FISTS frequencies looking for contacts with other members. QSL via FISTS Bureau or home QTH. [K7WA]

20/11/2007: Operators Geoff/W0CG, Jeff/K8ND, Jim/W0NB, Jim/W8WTS, Gerry/G0RTN and others will be QRV as PJ2/homecall from Signal Point, Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942), November 20-26th. Their main goal s the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th), as a Multi-Two entry using the call PJ2T. QSL PJ2T via N9AG. QSL others via their home calls. [CCC]

23/11/2007: Operators JA1OZK, JA1CGC, JA1OHP, JF1TAB, JH1FUD, JL1LOW, JQ2IQW and JK1DRM will be active from Australia (VK4) between November 23rd and 28th. The will participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th) as VK4AHY, a Multi-? entry. Outside the contest they will be active using their personal home calls. QSL via the operators home call. QSL VK4AHY via JA1OZK. [NG3K]

24/11/2007: Operators Valery/RD3AF, Alex/RZ3AZ, Yuri/RA9JR and Yuri/UA9AM will be signing EF8M from the Canary Islands (AF-004) for the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th), as a Multi-Two entry. QSL via RX3DU (QRZ.com) [NG3K]

24/11/2007: The LA3Z Club of Stavern, Norway, will be active as LN3Z during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th), as a Milti-Single entry. Operators mentioned are Harald/LA5UF, Paul/LA6YEA, Jon/LA8HGA and Tom/LA9GX. QSL via LA9VDA, direct or bureau. QSL cards can also be requested by e-mail to la9vda2003-at-yahoo.no [NG3K]

24/11/2007: Dave, WJ2O will be QRV from Belize as V31DF during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th), as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via WJ2O. [NG3K]

24/11/2007: Adhi, YB3MM will try to be QRV again from the Karimunjawa Islands (OC-186) as YB3MM/2 during the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 24-25th). The last planned DXpedition to Karimunjawa Islands (OC-186) by Adhi during the CQWW SSB Contest was cancelled due to transceiver problems, probably due to unstable voltage. QSL via IZ8CCW. [4X4-2238]

27/11/2007: Jeff/K8ND and Jim/W8WTS will be QRV from Signal Point, Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942) as PJ2/homecall between November 27th and December 3rd. They will also be active in the ARRL 160-Meter Contest (November 30th-December 2nd), as a Multi-? entry using the call sign PJ2T. QSL PJ2T via N9AG. QSL others via their home call. [CCC]

12/12/2007: Jerry, WB9Z will be active vacation style as PJ2/WB9Z from Signal Point, Curacao (SA-006, WLOTA LH-0942), December 12-25th. Look for activity on all bands. QSL via home call. [CCC]

01/01/2008: Lions Clubs International, the world?s largest volunteer service organization, will be sponsoring an amateur radio special event station to be operated by Great Britain?s Bedworth Lions Club January 1-28th. The station will operate on 2 metre FM and 80-10 metre SSB with the call sign GB4BLC. Additionally for 2008, contacts via amateur satellite are planned. QSL via G8GMU, direct or via the RSGB bureau. Further details at: www.bedworthlionsclub.co.uk/evawa.htm [Southgate ARC]

18/02/2008: The Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club is celebrating its 50th birthday in January 2008. The original club was formed as the 'Blue Mountains Radio Club' in 1958, by the late Bill Moore after the disastrous bushfires that raged through the Blue Mountains in November and December of 1957. Bill held the callsign VK2HZ. By request, VK2HZ was adopted by the current Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club Inc after Bill became a silent key. It was 1974 when the club became 'The Blue Mountains Amateur Radio Club'. The current club still has 3 members who were members of the original club. A special call sign to commemorate the 50 years has also been allocated by the ACMA. The call sign is VI2BMARC50 and will only be valid for 10 days from January 18th to January 28th 2008. A special QSL card will be available for all stations contacting VI2BMARC50. Further information can be found at: www.bmarc.org/ [Southgate ARC]

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SPECIAL EVENTS

01/11/2007: The Bou Saada ARC (7X5VRK) of Bou Saada, Algeria, will sign 7W53N during the month of November to commemorate the 53th anniversary of the National Algerian Revolution beginning. QSL via 7X5VRK. [F5NQL]

01/11/2007: The ISWL Club Callsigns in use during November 2007 will be:
GX4BJC /A - Operated from Healing, near Grimsby, by Cliff G4YHP - The ISWL's Hon Treasurer and Chief Editor. (WAB Square = TA21 LNE).
MX1SWL /A - Operated from Portsmouth, in Hampshire, by Steve M0RNA (WAB Square = SU60 POR).
All QSL Info is on www.iswl.org.uk or www.qrz.com or via www.eQSL.cc
NO LOTW! [Pete's-DX-Newsdesk]

03/11/2007: Special event station IY1EY will be active November 3-11th to celebrate Gugliemo Marconi's experiments from his yacht

"Elettra" between 1919 and 1936. Expect activity on all bands CW, SSB and RTTY. Special QSL via IK1QBT. [425 DX News]

03/11/2007: To celebrate the 20th birthday of the Netherlands Air Force Radio Amateur Society (PI4NAF) will be QRV with the call sign PA20NARAS on HF and VHF between November 3-19th. QSL via PA1TT. [F5NQL]

03/11/2007: A group of EA5s obtained permission to operate on board the Antarctic polar ship 'Hesperides' which is located in Cartagena (Murcia), Spain. They will use the special call AO5URD (valid for the Antarctic Challenge as polar ship) on November 3rd and 4th. QSL EA5URD via the bureau. [F5NQL]

07/11/2007: Special event station II8MM will be active November 7-12th for the 3rd annual DX Meeting organized by the Mediterraneo DX Club (http://www.mdxc.org/meeting.asp). QSL via IZ8EPY. [425 DX News]

08/11/2007: Special event station HS35SEA will be aired November 8-11th for the the 35th SEANET Convention that will be held in Lampang, Thailand. QSL via HS1CKC. Full information on the convention can be found at: www.sabah.net.my/seanet/seanet_2007.htm [425 DX News]
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LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVATIONS -

01/11-12/11 YK9SV: Jazirat Arwad ARLHS:SYR-003 QSL QRZ.com
03/11-04/11 JW/G3SXW: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL H/C (d/b)
03/11-04/11 JW/G3TXF: Spitsbergen Island WLOTA:0125 QSL H/C (d/b)
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D88S QSL cards are in printing and will be ready in about 2 weeks. Your request must be sent to DS4MNJ (ex DT8A) if needed via the following address:
Lee Sanghoon via (C-605, Digital Empire B/D) 980-3, Yeongtong-dong, Yeongtong-gu, Suwon-si, Geonggi-do, South Korea.
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Hollingsworth to Stay Put at FCC -

Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, Special Counsel for the FCC's Enforcement Bureau, has decided not to retire. He had announced last week that he would leave the FCC in January 2008.

Riley states, "After spending the entire weekend thinking about the decision [to retire], it became more and more clear to me that it just isn't the right decision for me right now. There are several issues on the table that I want to continue to work through with the amateur community."

The Enforcement Bureau is the primary organizational unit within the Federal Communications Commission that is responsible for enforcement of provisions of the Communications Act, the Commission's rules, Commission orders and terms and conditions of station authorizations, as well as enforcement of Amateur Radio rules (Part 97). [ARRL]
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SEANET Convention -
The Radio Amateur Society of Thailand's 35th SEANET Convention will take place in Thailand's fourth-largest city, the northern town of Lampang, from November 8-11th.

Activity includes a traditional wedding ceremony on elephant-back,
visits to hot springs, a tour of a power-generating plant,
sight-seeing tours and a northern Thai feast along with a welcome
dinner.

Then there will be the grand gala dinner on Saturday evening and the
technical session on Sunday morning featuring, among other things, an
account of the 3B7C St Brandon DXpedition.

Also, look for special event station HS35SEA to be on the air from the
Wienglakor Hotel during the event. QSLs go to HS1CKC.

Complete details can be found at:
http://www.sabah.net.my/seanet/seanet_2007.htm
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ
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